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In the Final Office Action of July 16, 2003, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-28. The Examiner rejected claims 1-16, 19-21, 24, 26 and 28. However, the Examiner indicated claims 17, 18, 22, 23, 25 and 27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended its claims and believes its remaining pending claims to be in condition for allowance.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 25, which the Examiner indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant has done so by including the limitations of claim 25 in claim 1. Therefore, claim 1 is in condition for allowance. In addition, dependent claims 2-16 are also in condition for allowance.

Applicant has further amended claims 17-18. The Examiner previously indicated that claim 17 and 18 would be allowable if amended to be placed in independent form. Applicant has done so. Therefore, claims 17 and 18 are in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 19. The Examiner indicated claim 22 to be in condition for allowance if rewritten in independent form. Claim 22 is therefore in condition for allowance.

Claim 23 has also been rewritten to be placed in independent form as suggested by the Examiner. Claim 23 now incorporates the limitations of claim 20. Therefore, claim 23 is in condition for allowance.

Claim 26 depends upon claim 1. Claim 1 has been placed in condition for allowance. Therefore, claim 26 is also in condition for allowance.

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Applicant has amended claim 27 to include the limitation "wherein the door panel is a door module." Because claim 27 still depends upon claim 1, which is in condition for allowance, claim 27 is also in condition for allowance.

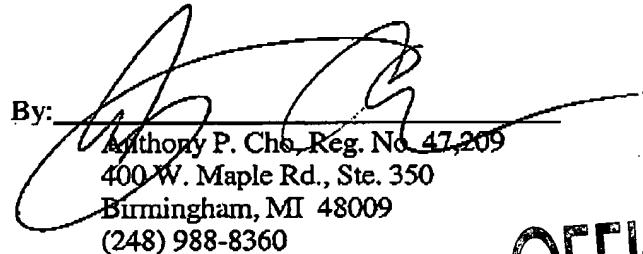
For the foregoing reasons, Applicant requests that the Examiner allow claims 1-18, 22-23, and 26-27.

Applicant believes that additional fees in the amount of \$168.00 are required for two additional independent claims. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds in the amount of \$168.00. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskcy & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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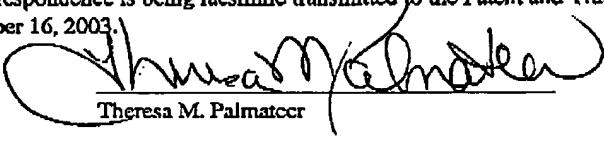

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